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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I travel 26 miles one way to work every day. This traveling is done in a rural area where there are very little street lights. I carry my phone for emergency purposes, like when I hit an icy patch on the road and my car slid into a ditch. I was able to call for help. I have had my phone for around 2 to 2 1/2 years and have used it a total of about 5, maybe 6 times at the most. I use it for emergencies only. Why should I have to pay extra for people who either can't or won't get a phone through their local phone company.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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